## NOTICE OF EMERGENCY CHANGES TO THE 2013 UTAH BRINE SHRIMP SEASON

I, Gregory Sheehan, by authority granted in Section 23-14-8 of the Wildlife Resources Code of Utah declare an emergency amendment to the 2013 Utah Brine Shrimp Season. The following have been amended:

## **BRINE SHRIMP SEASON DATES:**

• EXTEND the Brine Shrimp Season 28 days to close on February 28th, 2013.

According to data collected by the Great Salt Lake Ecosystem Program and analyzed by Dr. Gary Belovsky, the brine shrimp population at Great Salt Lake has the potential to experience a severe population crash if spring brine shrimp cyst numbers drop below 4 cysts/liter or exceed 80 cysts/liter. Currently, cyst population estimates exceed 80 cysts/liter. Continued brine shrimp harvest is needed to reach the optimal 21 cysts/liter to prevent a population crash.

These changes are effective January 16, 2013 and will remain in effect until January 1, 2014.

UTAH DIVISION ØF WILDLIFE RESOURCES

Director

Date 1/17/20/3

Subscribed and sworn to before me this \ day of January 2013.

My Commission Expires:

March 7 2016

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Notary

